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K-1 Visa Document Request

Please submit the following documents to this office as soon as possible. Where feasible, kindly provide **ORIGINAL** documents *and* one copy. The originals will be returned to you promptly and will *NOT* be submitted to INS. Submit as many items below as possible:

1. Copy of your (PETITIONER'S) U.S. passport (all pages) or certified copy of your birth certificate.
2. Certified copy of (BENEFICIARY 's) birth certificate and translation.
3. (2) Photographs of both of you per instructions attached.
4. Photographs of you (PETITIONER) and (BENEFICIARY) taken within the last two years. (Please label them as to date and place taken and names of any other persons in photograph).
5. Correspondence between both of you.
6. Phone bills showing calls to one another.
7. Airline tickets and boarding passes from trips to visit each other or trips taken together.
8. Evidence of joint property ownership:
 - Bank account statements
 - Personal property receipts (if purchases)
 - Auto registration or "pink slips"
 - Lease or deed to home
 - Stocks, bonds, etc.
9. Insurance coverage (joint or reciprocal showing one of you is the beneficiary of the other's policy):
 - a. Life insurance
 - b. Medical, dental insurance
 - c. Auto, homeowners
10. Evidence of wedding plans, if any:
 - a. affidavit or letter from
Clergy/judge who will marry you or who has provided pre-marital counseling
 - b. Receipts for deposits made
toward facilities, clothing,

food, flowers, photographs,
etc.

___ c. Sample invitations

11. Affidavits from friends or relatives, who have met your fiancé (e), have seen you both together, and who are aware of the bona fides of the impending marriage.
12. Other - anything else relevant to show that you both have met in person and intend to marry for reasons other than for immigration purposes.

MARRIAGE/FIANCE CHECKLIST

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- Copy Petitioner's (United States Citizen) current passport;
- Copy of Petitioner's birth certificate or naturalization certificate;
- Copy of Beneficiary's birth certificate (and certified translation if needed);
- Certified copies of divorce decrees (for all prior marriages) of the Beneficiary and Petitioner (if any), or death certificate (if any);
- Financial documentation from the Petitioner, including tax returns for **three years prior to filing the petition**. If the tax returns do not show sufficient income for the affidavit of support then additional documentation is necessary such as savings account, investment account, deed to property, stocks or bonds (*the attorney will discuss the documents needed with the client*);
- 4 Passport style photographs of each the Beneficiary (foreign national) and the Petitioner;
- The following information is needed to complete the forms:
 - U.S. address of the Petitioner and foreign address of the Beneficiary;
 - Describe how and where you first met each other in one sentence;
 - Has the Beneficiary even been to the United States? If so, when and what kind of visa;
 - Names, date and city of birth, and current residence of both the Beneficiary and Petitioner's parents;
 - Does the Beneficiary have any children? Will the children be traveling to the United States?

- Evidence of the bona fides of your relationship, including but not limited to:
 - Phone records, cell phone records, phone cards evidencing calls to one another;
 - Photographs together, especially holidays, trips taken together, with children and relatives;
 - Correspondence, letters, cards written to each other;
 - Airline tickets and boarding passes from trips to visit each other or trips taken together;
 - Receipts for engagement ring and/or presents bought for each other;
 - Affidavits from family and friends regarding your relationship;
 - Letters from clergy members or rabbi regarding the nature of your relationship;
 - Evidence of wedding preparations (if any), invitations, reservations, florists, gown, etc;
 - Any other bona fides relevant to prove your relationship.